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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Art Unit  
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Applicant(s): Akira SONOBATA

Invention: CHAIN TENSIONER

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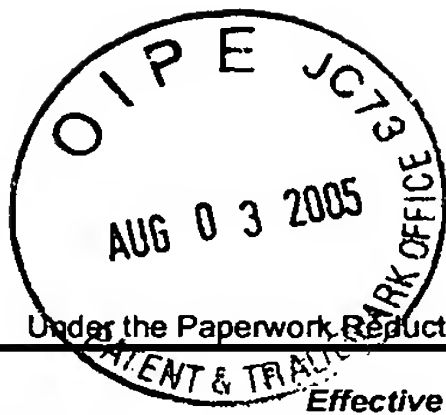
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>For FY 2005</b>		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
		Application Number	10/646,744-Conf. #1779
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	August 25, 2003
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**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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**Multiple Dependent Claims**

**Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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**Indep. Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed May 4, 2005 (Paper No. 20050502), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

This Paper includes Claim Set As Amended and Remarks.